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Despite concluding portion British Aide Memoire January 13 which indicates strong position on Western determination preserve rights in Berlin, earlier portions Aide Memoire seem contain overtones British memorandum November 19.

Mikoyan almost certain interpret such statement as retreat from our note December 31 and Soviets would be encouraged take more rigid position on Berlin issue.

As indicated in Embtel 1486 we feel essential at least for present that we continue insist our position Berlin not negotiable and we not prepared accept any compromise that infringes on our rights there.

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